

BALLARD REFUSED JACKSON COUNTY BY GOVERNMENT

The request of the county court for the detention of W. S. Ballard by the department of agriculture for the Rogue river valley as pathologist has been denied by Secretary Houston, as the following correspondence shows:

Honorable F. L. Tou Velle, Medford, Ore.

My dear Judge: Referring to your request and that of the county commissioners that Mr. W. S. Ballard, of the department of agriculture, be detailed to work in the Rogue river valley, permit me to enclose herewith for your information a letter I have recently received from the secretary of agriculture on the subject. If you have occasion to go into the matter further, please return the enclosure for reference.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am,

Yours very sincerely, GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN, Hon. George E. Chamberlain, United States Senate.

My dear Senator Chamberlain:

I have your letter of the 26th instant, with its enclosure from F. L. Tou Velle, county judge, and the county commissioners of Jackson county, Oregon, addressed to me, in which they request that Mr. W. S. Ballard, pathologist in the Bureau of Plant Industry of this department be detailed to work in the Rogue river valley, making Medford, Oregon, his headquarters. Reference is made in the letter making this request to the recent resignation of the pathologist for the Rogue river valley, who has been locally maintained, and Mr. Ballard is apparently desired to take up the work previously done by Mr. P. J. O'Gara for the county.

I very much regret that it is not possible to detail Mr. Ballard for local work in the Rogue river valley as requested; this for the reason that Mr. Ballard is prosecuting several lines of fruit disease investigation of very great importance to the orchard interests of all the Pacific coast states, which could not be interfered with at the present time without serious interference with their progress and diminution of value of results. Mr. Ballard's general work will keep him in the Pacific northwest sufficiently, however, so that he could render a certain amount of assistance to any competent pathologist whom the county or state may decide to place in charge, and in this way the Rogue river valley could have the advantage of Mr. Ballard's experience in the prosecution of work of this character.

The Rogue river valley situation is rather unusual because the pear blight eradication work there was begun by the department with a view to demonstrating methods of pear blight eradication which had been developed in the Bureau of Plant Industry, Mr. O'Gara being stationed at Medford for three years in charge of the details of this work. The work had progressed to a point where it was believed that it could be effectively continued by the community without more than advisory assistance from the department, but the local interests at that time insisted upon retaining Mr. O'Gara and did so, paying him a much higher salary than the department could pay, in order to retain his service steadily for the local needs.

So far as is known to the department, the situation in the Rogue river valley will be fully met if the county secures a suitable man with whom the experts of the department and the state experiment station can confer and co-operate in special features of work that may need their attention. It is believed that such an arrangement would be the most beneficial and practicable for all concerned, as it would permit a well-trained man to steadily devote himself to the local problems which are peculiar to the Rogue river valley, a character of local service which it would not be possible for this department to maintain in view of the diversity and insistence of the needs of the fruit industry elsewhere for work of similar character.

Yours very truly, D. F. HOUSTON, Secretary.

BECKER UNCONCERNED OVER GUNMEN'S DEATHS

NEW YORK, April 13.—Police Lieutenant Charles F. Becker, in the Tombs, awaiting a second trial on a charge of instigating the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, for whose killing "Dago Frank," "Gyp the Blood," "Whitey Lewis" and "Lefty Lomic" died in the electric chair today, showed no concern over the gunmen's execution. He slept soundly and did not even refer to the electrocutions.

SEALS TOPPING PROCESSION DUE TO JUD'S FINE WORK

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 13.—With the Seals topping the procession in the Pacific Coast League race, San Francisco fans were forced to admit today that Manager Del Howard has gathered together a likely bunch of ball throwers. When the followers of the game started "riding" the Seal bog during the opening week, he requested that they reserve judgment for just one month. They did, and the Howardites are now riding in first place. Just one half game ahead of Venice.

McCredie's Beavers were expected to make the Seals exert themselves but the latter walked away with the series to the tune of 5 to 1. The Seals outplayed the Portlanders at every angle of the game.

The thing most pleasing to Howard was the way his pitchers have rounded into shape, especially Pernoll. The port-aider was released by Oakland last year after a poor season. He begged Howard for a chance, was taken on and so far has been the Seals' most consistent winner.

The fans also are supporting the local club better than ever. There were fully 13,000 persons at yesterday afternoon's game the crowd overflowing into left and center fields, making necessary ground rules. Before leaving for Portland to open the season there with the Oaklanders, Manager McCredie gave out the following statement:

"The club that beats the Seals will win the pennant. Although we have just experienced a bad week and are in next to last place, I believe my team will cop the flag. We will start climbing when we open the series with the Oaks at home, and don't be surprised if we make a clean sweep."

WEDDING BELLS

At the home of Mrs. Dan Carlin on Monday evening occurred the wedding of Mr. Ernest B. Price to Miss Gladys Keller, Rev. W. D. McIntosh of the M. E. church officiating.

Miss Keller is a niece of Mrs. Carlin and has been visiting here for some months.

They tell us that absence makes the heart grow fonder and so it seems in the courtship of this couple for they had not seen each other for six years but all this time had kept up a lively courtship by the assistance of Uncle Sam.

The groom arrived Saturday evening and secured the license Monday and at 8:00 o'clock P. M. the words were spoken that bound them for life. The groom is a fine young man and has a lucrative position, his business is that of an electrician.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Keller. While the bride has not been here long she has won herself the respect of many people. She was beautifully attired in white and wore orange blossoms in her hair.

The young couple will start at once on their long journey to Medford, Oregon where they will make their home.—Bowen, Ill. Chronicle.

Mr. Price is an employe of the California-Oregon Power company, and is very well known in this city. The above news item will no doubt be a surprise to his many friends.

ALONG ROGUE RIVER

Margaret Howard called on Hildreth and Mable Foster Sunday morning.

Will Houston and family attended the entertainment given by their daughter Miss Eula and school at Antloch last Saturday night.

Mrs. Hammond's father, sister and husband autographed from Medford and spent Sunday with her.

Mr. Martin went to Trail Sunday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Marrison.

Tom Rainey of Central Point has bought the Burch farm.

Ira Dunlap of Trail went to the valley Friday.

Dave Pence has moved his road crew to the Dodge place and has a good crew at work.

Mrs. Jasper Hannah and children spent Sunday with Miss Mia Hannah.

Mrs. Gene Bellows took dinner with Mrs. Pettegrew Sunday.

Mrs. Conover was in Eagle Point Saturday.

The rain is the cause of the many smiles on the farmers' faces this week.

The Crucifixion Stainer's "Crucifixion," which was given on Good Friday by the surpliced choir of forty voices at the First Methodist Episcopal church, will again be sung at the evening service next Sunday. This will be a genuine musical feast and the general public is most cordially invited.

FORMER CHAMPION TRAINING FOR OLYMPIC TEAM



MARTIN SHERIDAN.

Martin J. Sheridan, the former world's champion and all around athlete, is today in active training with the expectation of winning back his lost laurels. Sheridan has been out of athletics for some time, and it was believed that he was out for good. He was content to remain an ex-champion, but began to have longings to return to athletics when his all around record was broken. His aim is toward the Olympics in 1916, and he hopes to be back to his old time form to represent the United States at that time. He hopes to not only regain the championship but to set a new record.

Cost of Raising a Dairy Cow

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—According to investigators in the department of agriculture the average net cost of raising a dairy heifer one year old on a Wisconsin farm is \$39.52 and of a two year heifer \$61.41. These figures are applicable to other dairy districts in the north and east where land and feed values are similar to those in Wisconsin. They are based on data obtained from raising 117 calves from birth to the time they enter the dairy herd. The details, with a complete summary of the investigation have recently been published by the department of agriculture in Bulletin No. 48, under the title of "The Cost of Raising a Dairy Cow."

The new bulletin contains numerous tables and several illustrations of the Jersey calves from which the items of cost were obtained.

The most important item was the cost of the food, which was estimated at market value and amounted to nearly two-thirds of the total net cost of the heifer, while labor formed 12 1/2 per cent of the cost.

Figures for the average net cost of the one-year-old heifer are as follows: Feed, \$24.67; labor, \$4.45; other costs, \$6.36; total, \$35.48.

To this should be added the initial value of the calf, which was estimated to be \$7.04, making a total cost at the end of one year of \$42.52. By allowing \$3 credit for manure, it leaves a net cost of \$39.52 at the end of the first year.

Figures for the average net cost of the two-year-old heifer are as follows: Initial value, \$7.04; feed, \$40.82; labor, \$7.81; other costs, \$13.75; credit for manure, \$8.00; total cost, \$66.41.

One-half of the feed cost the first year and one-third for the full two years is for whole and skim milk. The foregoing figures show that it costs more to raise calves to maturity than is commonly supposed, and they support the advice which the department is continually trying to impress upon dairy farmers, that it does not pay to raise any but the best heifers. Raising scrub heifers and selling them at \$25 to \$40 apiece as many do, is unprofitable except on cheap land or under other very favorable conditions. But it does pay to raise the best heifers, for in good dairy sections well-bred heifers are worth considerably more than \$65 when two years of age. Furthermore, dairy farmers as a rule are obliged to raise their own stock, as it is difficult to buy productive cows at a reasonable price. In some sections of the west where alfalfa is worth only \$4 or \$5 a ton, or in the southwest where pastures furnish feed the greater part of the year, this cost may be greatly reduced. Even where it costs \$60 to raise a heifer, two-thirds of this amount is charged for feed at market prices, a large part of which can be grown on the farm at a profit. Thus by raising the heifers the dairy farmer finds a home market for feed grown on the farm at remunerative prices, and at the same time aids in maintaining the fertility of the farm.

Good Roads Increase School Attendance

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 10.—Census reports show that in 1909 there were 24,000,000 children in the United States of school age, but that only 17,500,000 were enrolled in the public schools. This would indicate that there are several million children who are deprived, for one reason or another, from obtaining an education, and there is no doubt that a large number of those are prevented from attending school on account of bad roads. Furthermore, many schools in the country districts are closed for varying periods on account of the impassable condition of the roads, and many of the schools which are not closed have a nominal percentage of attendance.

While it is true that various factors contribute to increase or decrease the attendance at schools in given sections of the country, it is worthy of comment that in the states having a high percentage of improved roads, a much large percentage of the students enrolled, regularly attend the schools than in the states having a small percentage of improved roads. In five eastern and western states which have a large mileage of improved roads, the average attendance of enrolled pupils in 1908-9 was 89 per cent; while in four southern states and one northwestern state which are noted for bad roads, the average attendance for the same year was 64 per cent—80 per cent in the good roads states as against 64 per cent in the bad road states. In the states first named, 35 per cent of the roads have been improved, while in the latter group of states there are only 1 1/2 per cent of the roads improved.

That improved roads would benefit our country school system, there would seem to be no doubt. Improved roads make it possible to consolidate or centralize the schools and to establish graded schools in the rural districts. Such schools centrally located will accommodate all of the children within a radius of from four to five miles. In many communities having the advantage of improved roads, commodious buildings have been provided, more competent teachers have been employed and modern facilities for teaching have been supplied at a minimum cost. For instance, since the improvement of the main highways in Durham county, North Carolina, the number of schoolhouses have been reduced from 65 to 42, of which 17 are graded and have two or more rooms, and employ two or more teachers.

The Weather

Oregon—Tonight, showers and cooler; Tuesday, fair; fresh westerly breeze, diminishing Tuesday.

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CALUMET STRIKE DECLARED OFF BY VOTE OF MINERS

CALUMET, Mich., April 13.—The strike among copper workers in the Michigan mines was officially declared off today.

Announcement to this effect was made at the headquarters of the Western Federation of Miners, the strikers voting to waive their demands for higher wages, better working conditions and recognition of the union, and will seek work in the mines on practically the same conditions as those which prevailed before the walkout last June.

The federation's district board was scheduled to convene this afternoon and announce the official vote. It was said the miners voted 2 to 1 to resume work.

PHOENIX PARAGRAPHS

Dr. and Mrs. Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Flagg of Medford were in town the first of the week.

Mr. Manning, proprietor of the Wonder store in Medford, was a business caller Wednesday.

Mr. Denner and family recently arrived here from St. Paul, Minn., and has charge of the ranch which A. M. Rhodes superintended. Mr. Rhodes has rented a farm in Josephine county and moved there the first of the week.

The Civic club met Tuesday afternoon at the city hall. The clean-up committee are planning for another general clean-up day. Plans are also on foot to improve the grounds around the city hall. Mrs. J. B. Webster and Mr. M. Peck recently became members of the society.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will hold Easter exercises Sunday morning at 10:30. Regular church services will follow at 11:00. The choir will render special Easter music.

Mrs. W. J. Miller returned last week from California, where she spent the winter.

Miss Hoover teacher in district No. 99 across the river, is holding a school exhibit this (Friday) afternoon.

Mrs. John E. Roberts was a Medford visitor Friday afternoon.

The drilling for the testing for gold began Friday on the river flats owned by E. Furr in Phoenix.

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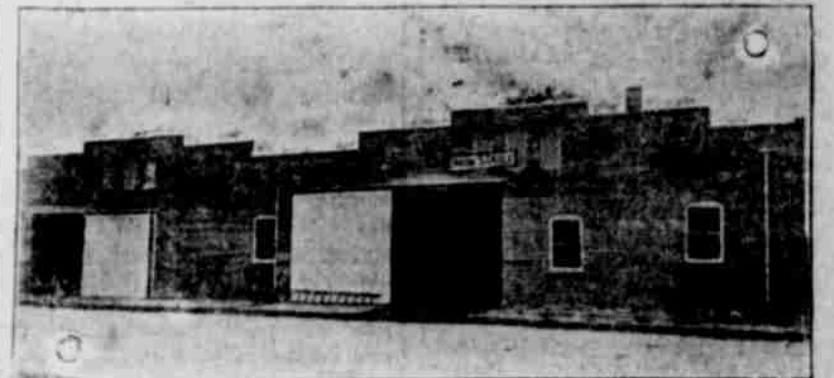
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